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C O N F I D E N T I A L GENEVA 04871

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: WHO, IS, ID, XF
SUBJECT: W.H.O. SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS TO VISIT
ISRAEL

REF: A) STATE 81635, B) JAKARTA 4144

1. MISSION HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH WHO DG'S OFFICE REGARD-
ING CURRENT STATUS OF WHO SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS
AND HAS TRANSMITTED PERSONALLY TO DR MAHLER INSTRUCTIONS
IN PARA 6 OF REFTTEL A).

2. DG'S OFFICE REPORTS OTHER MEMBERS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE
(ROMANIA AND SENEGAL) WERE IN GENEVA MARCH 29 FOR
BRIEFINGS PRIOR TO PLANNED DEPARTURE FOR ISRAEL MARCH 30
WHEN INITIAL NEWS OF INDONESIA'S UNEXPECTED DROPOUT WAS
RECEIVED. OTHER COMMITTEE MEMBERS WERE DESCRIBED AS
"FURIOUS" AT GOI'S DECISION, WHICH WAS APPARENTLY TAKEN
BY HEALTH MINISTRY, WITHOUT ANY PRIOR KNOWLEDGE OF
FOREIGN MINISTRY, BECAUSE PHYSICIAN MEMBER OF COMMITTEE
HAD BEEN REPLACED AFTER RECENT ELECTION.

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3. AS RESULT OF HEAVY PRESSURE FROM MAHLER AND OTHERS,
GOI HAS NOW PROMISED TO APPOINT NEW OFFICIAL AND CABLE
NAME TO MAHLER BY APRIL 3. DG HAS SUBMITTED NAMES OF
KNOWN QUALIFIED INDONESIAN HEALTH OFFICIALS TO HURRY THIS
PROCESS ALONG.
NEW APPOINTEE OF COURSE MUST BE ACCEPTABLE TO ISRAELI

GOVERNMENT FOR PURPOSES OF VISA, BUT NO PROBLEMS ARE
ANTICIPATED BY SECRETARIAT.

4. OTHER COMMITTEE MEMBERS HAVE NOW RETURNED HOME BUT
HAVE AGREED TO PROCEED DIRECTLY TO ISRAEL ON APRIL 6 TO
CARRY OUT THEIR MANDATE IF GOI APPOINTS MEMBER AS EXPECTED.

5. MAHLER FEELS NO BILATERAL ACTION WOULD BE HELPFUL AT
THIS TIME. VANDEN HEUVEL

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